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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 13, 2006

Dear Sir:

This reply is being filed timely in response to the Office Action dated October 13, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants also petition for a one month extension of time, thereby extending the time for response through February 13, 2007. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, any deficiencies that may arise, and to credit any overpayment which may be owed to Applicant in connection with this action and application in general to Deposit Account No. 19-5425.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

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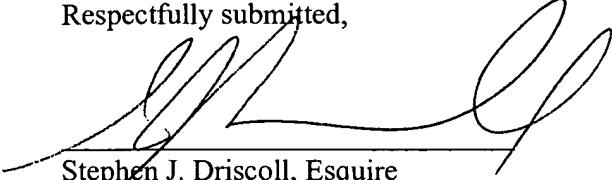
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Since none of the cited references teaches or suggests the claimed invention as amended, it is respectfully requested that the rejections be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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